

# HARD PROBE RESULTS FROM PHENIX

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# Overview

- Thermal Photons
- Flow in Small systems
- Open heavy flavor and  $J/\Psi$

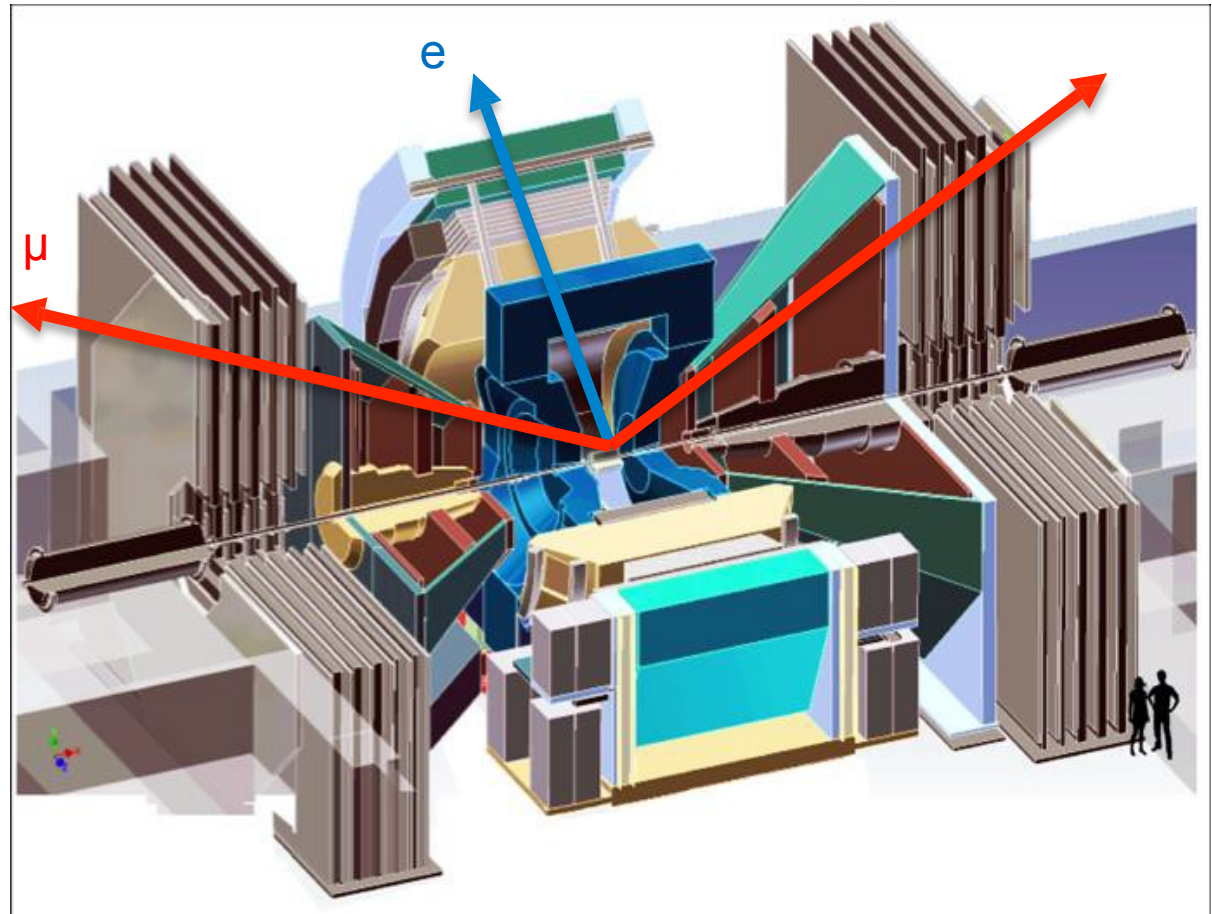
# The PHENIX Detector

- **Central Electrons**

- $|\eta| < 0.35$
- $\Delta\phi = \pi$
- Tracking: DC, PC
- eID: RICH, EMcal

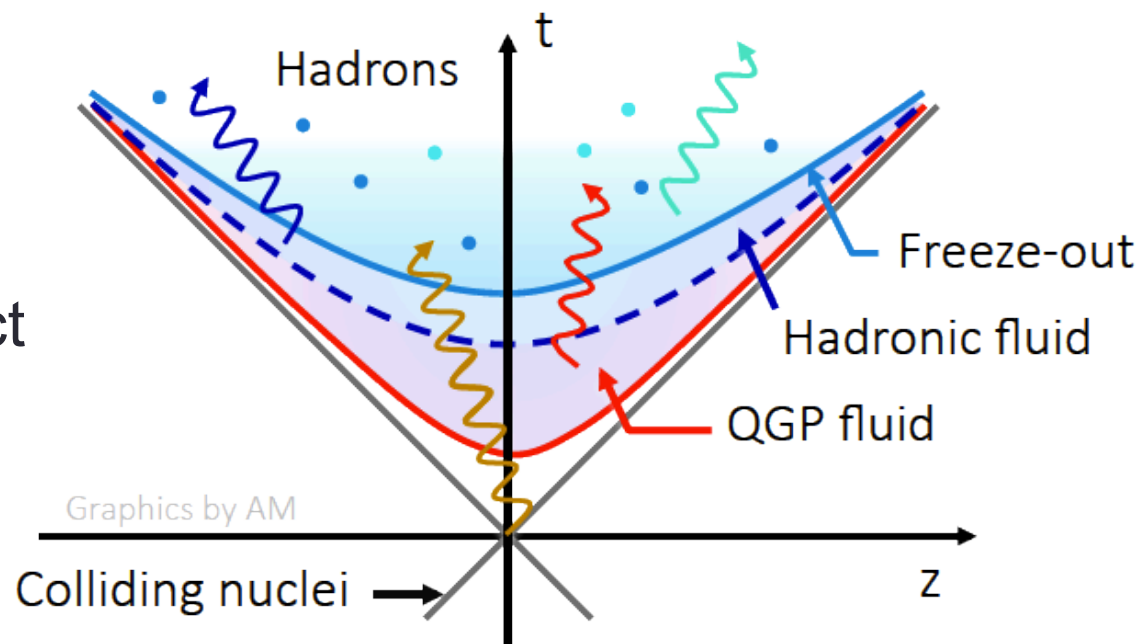
- **Forward Muons**

- $1.2 < |\eta| < 2.2$
- $\Delta\phi = 2\pi$
- $\sim 10\lambda$  absorber
- Tracking: wire chamber
- MuID: 5 layers of steel and larocci tube planes



# Photons

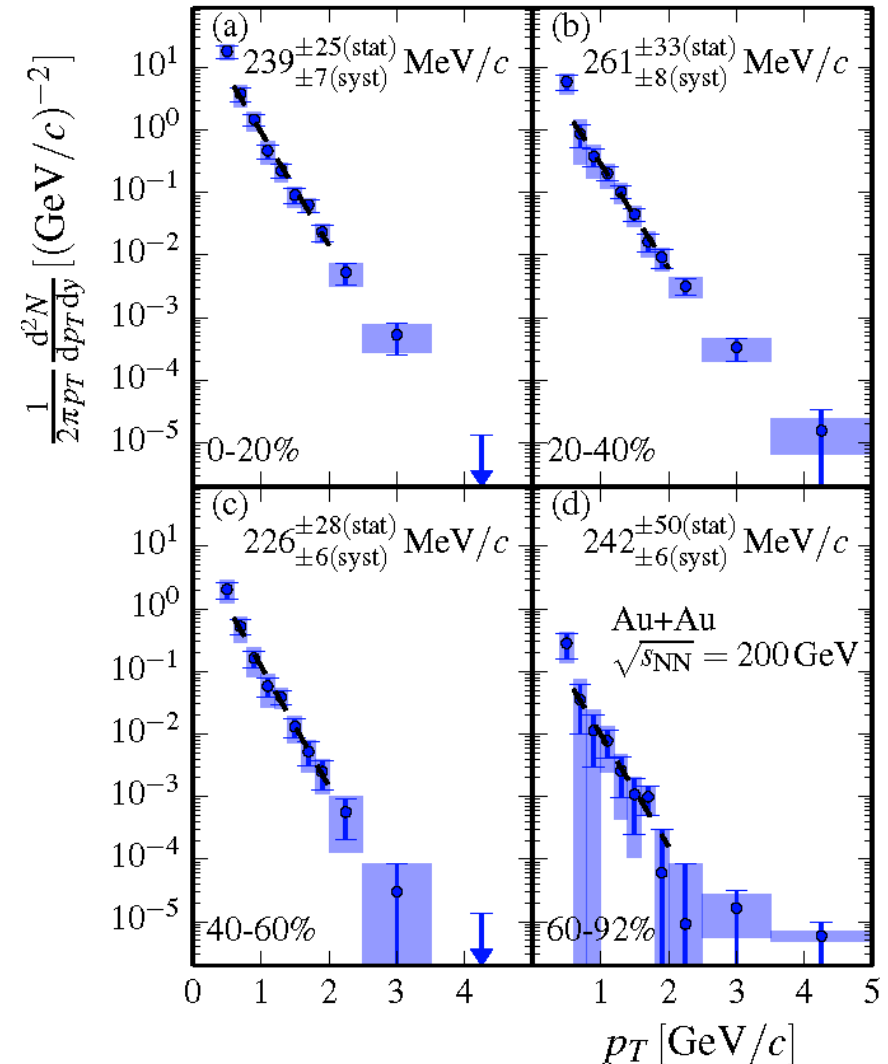
Photons don't interact



# Thermal photon spectra

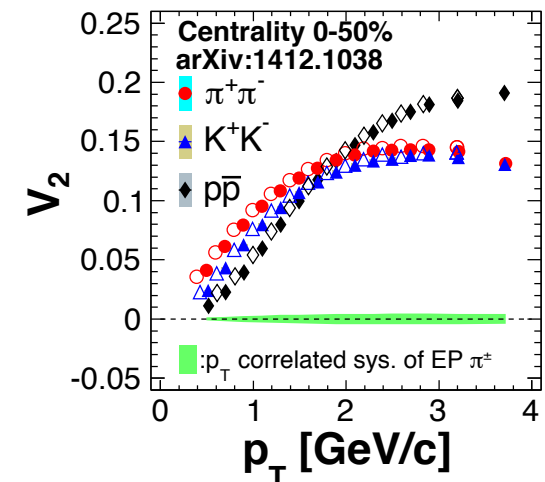
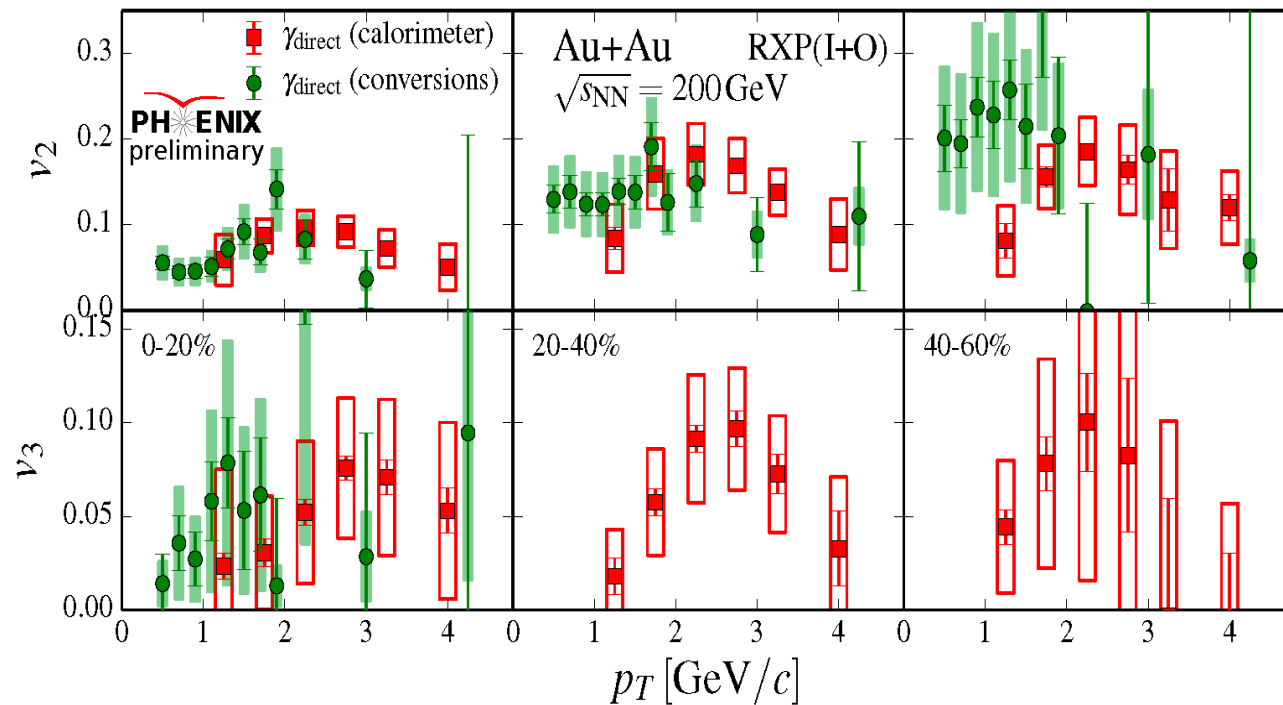
arXiv:1405.3940, PRC91, 064904 (2015)

- Thermal photon spectra are obtained by subtracting hard photons from all direct photon spectra
  - Hard photon contribution is estimated from p+p times Ncoll
- Fitting to low  $p_T$  region gives  $T \sim 240 \text{ MeV}/c$ , almost independent of centrality
- The Slope parameter reflects the convolution of the instantaneous rates with the time-dependent temperature.
  - One has to assume time profile to obtain the temperature at given time.



# Recent results on photon $v_2$ and $v_3$

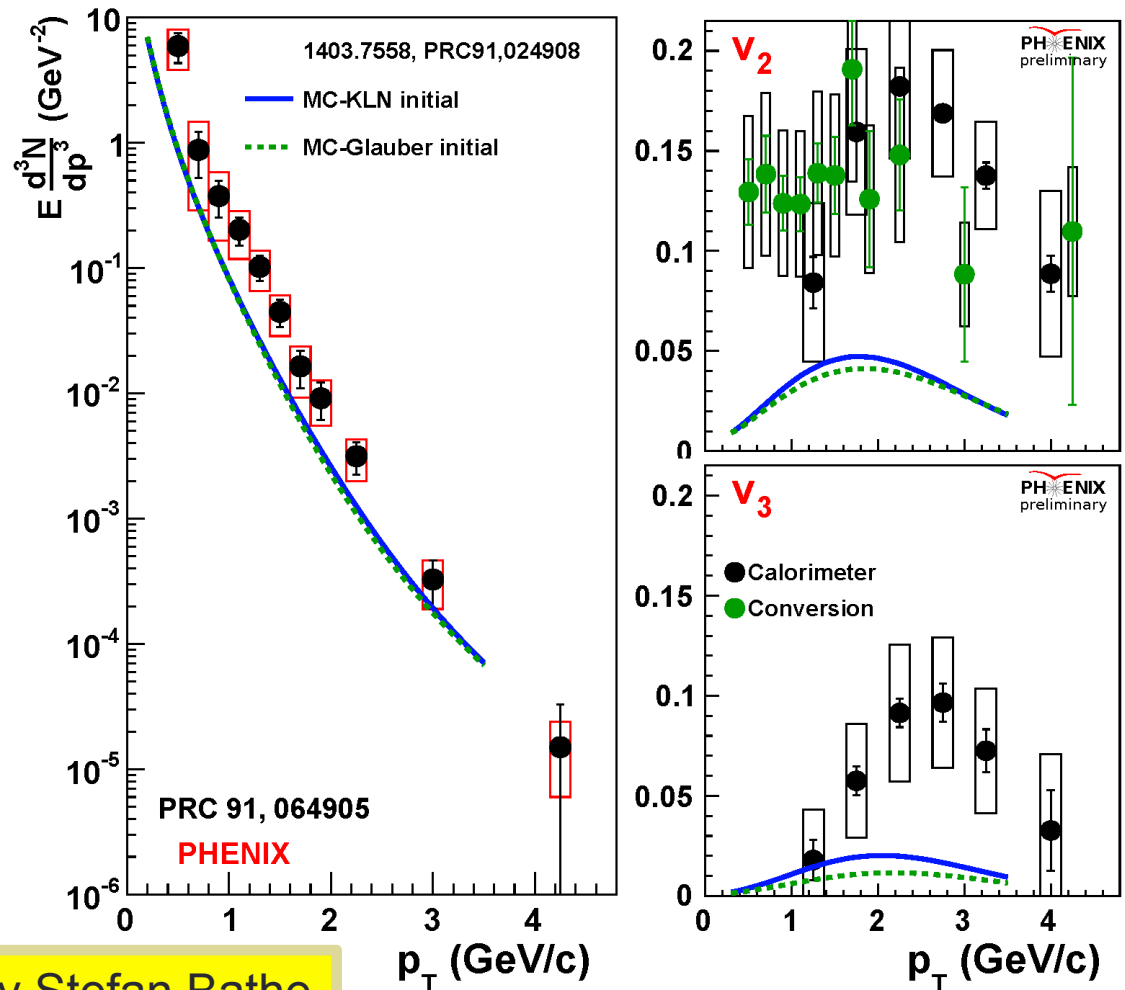
- Some centrality dependence in  $v_2$ , weak dependence in  $v_3$ 
  - Similar trend as for charged hadrons (PRL 107, 252301 (2011)) and  $\pi^0$ .



# Models have a hard time, so far...

- C. Shen et al.,  
PRC 91, 024908 (2015)
- Thermal photon contribution calculated by 3+1D Hydro including viscous correction
- Two Initial conditions are considered
- $v_2$  and  $v_3$  are for thermal + pQCD photons
- Blue shift effect is naturally included in the hydro-evolution

Thermal  $\gamma$   $p_T$  spectra, direct  $\gamma$   $v_2, v_3$ , Au+Au@200GeV, 20-40%



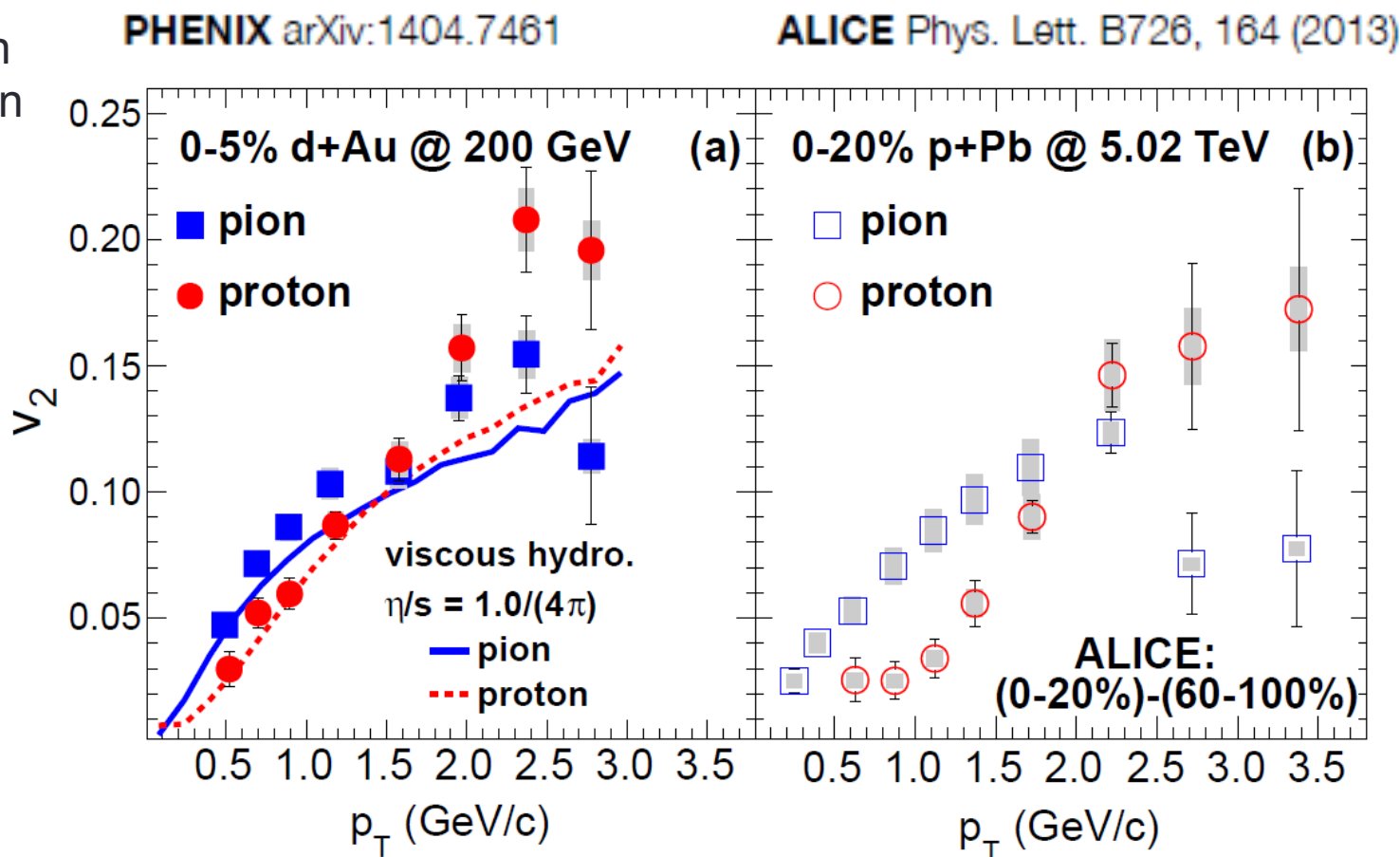
See talk by Stefan Bathe

# Flow in Small Systems



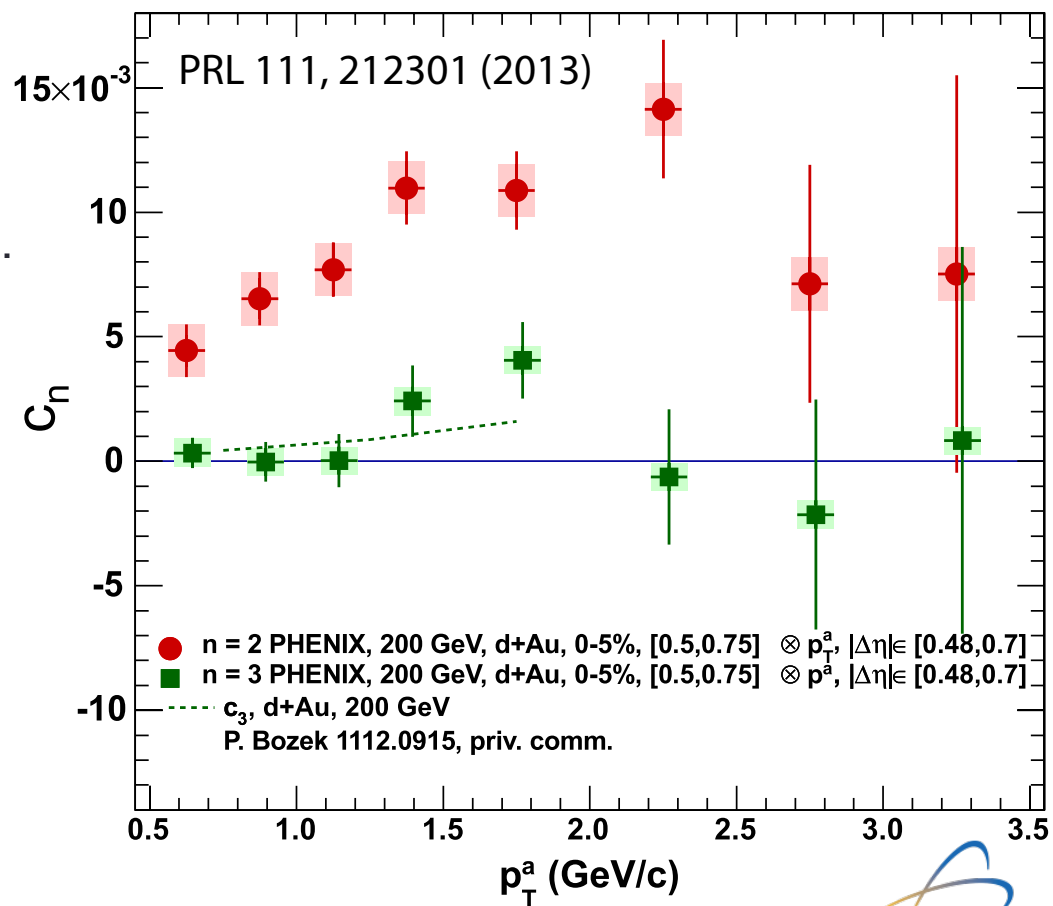
# Flow in small systems

We have seen  
 $v_2$  of  $\pi$  and  $p$  in  
d+Au

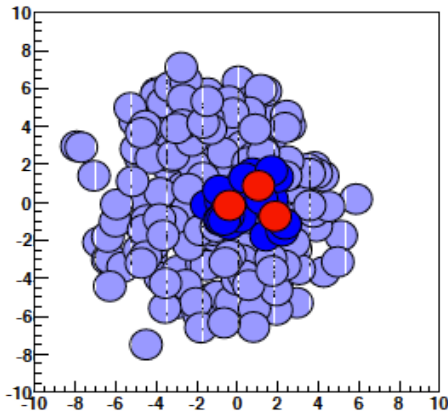


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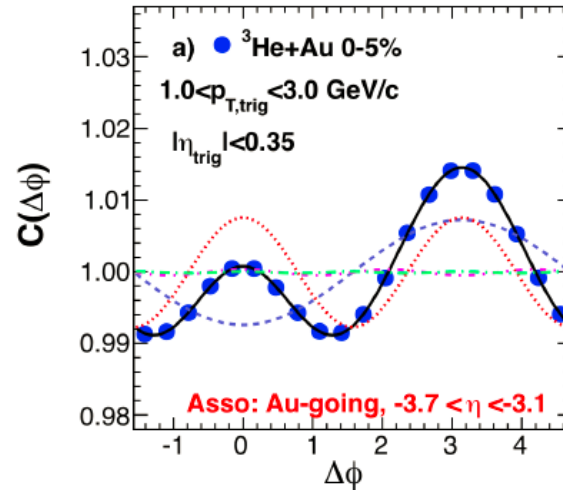
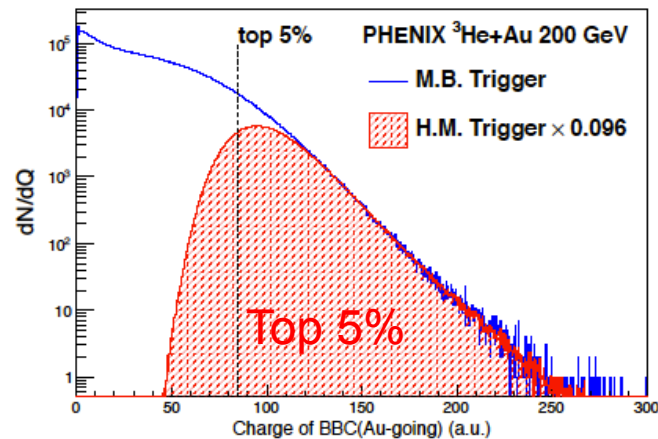
But  $c_3$  in d+Au is small...



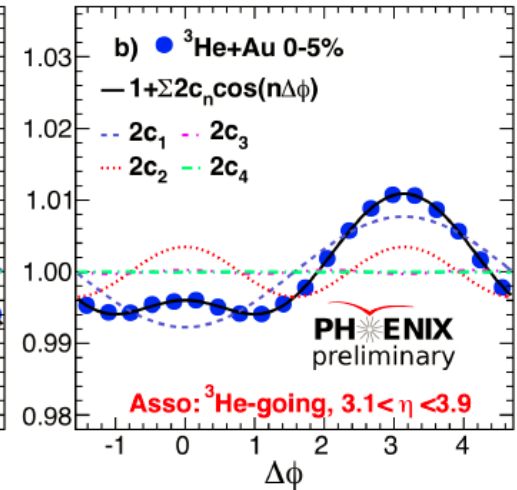
# Small system flow - $^3\text{He}+\text{Au}$



Make a high-multiplicity trigger:

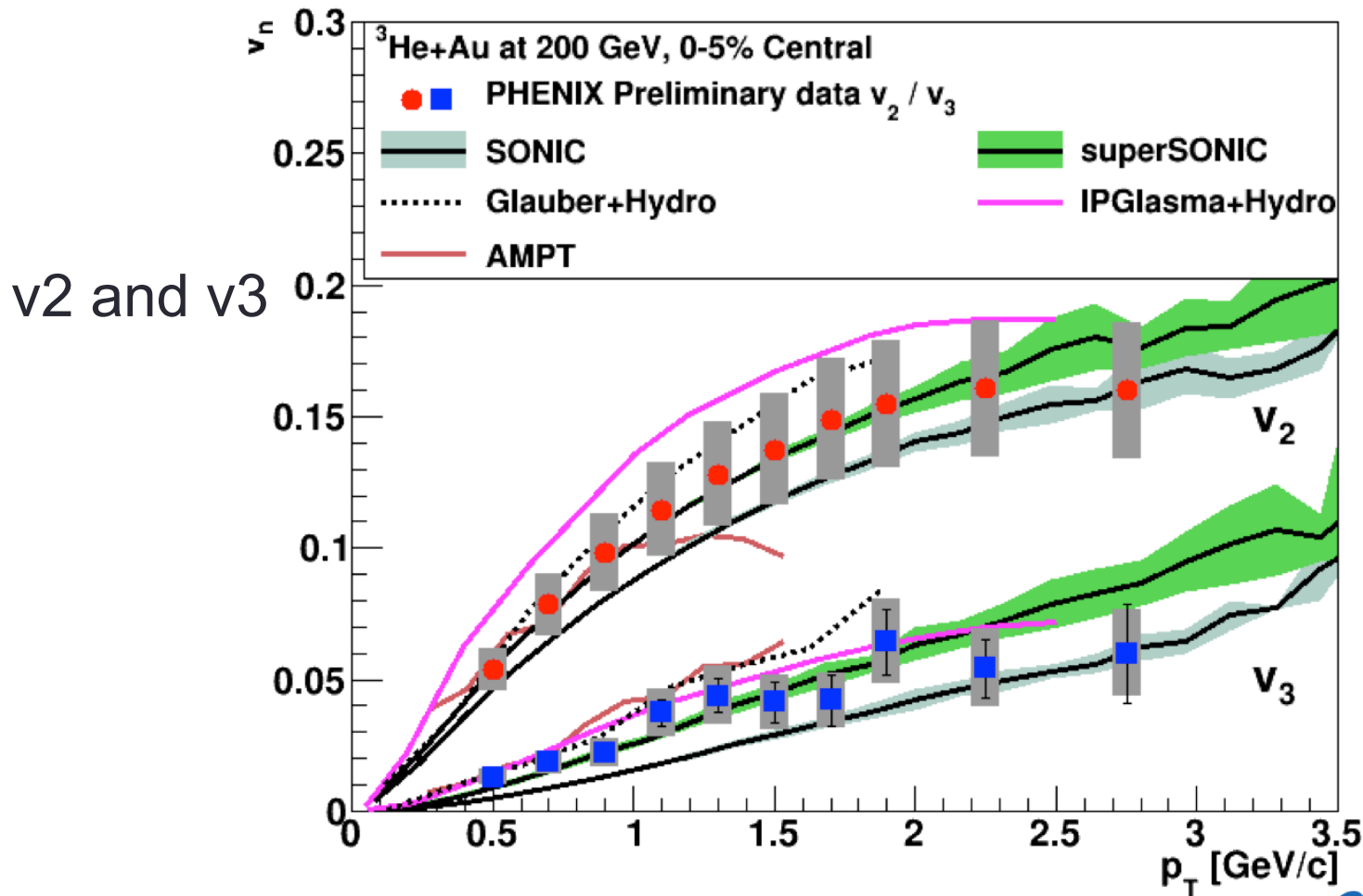


Au-going



d-going

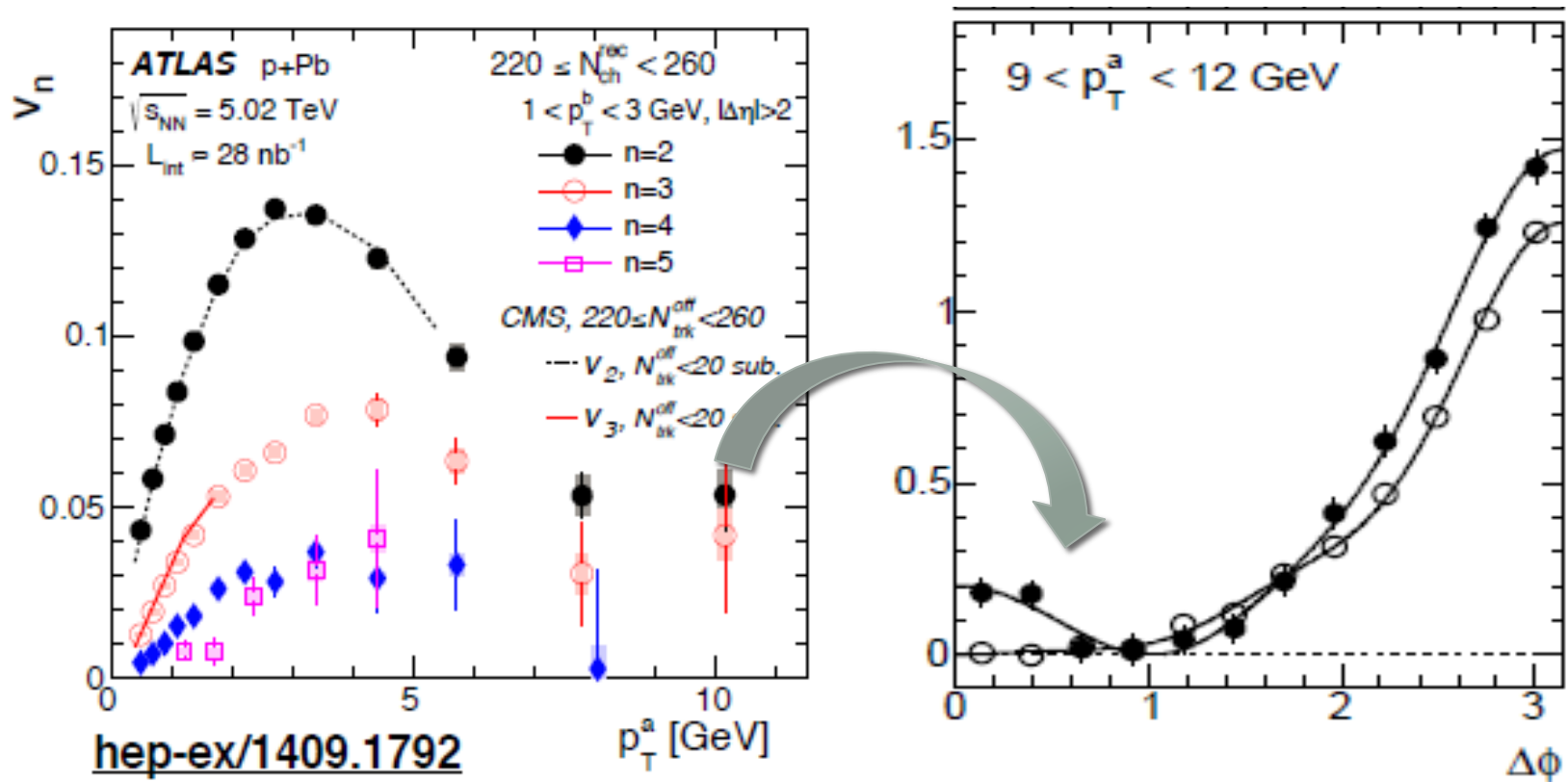
# Flow in $^3\text{He}+\text{Au}$



Talk by Anne Sickles

# Flow-like patterns in p(d)+A are surprising

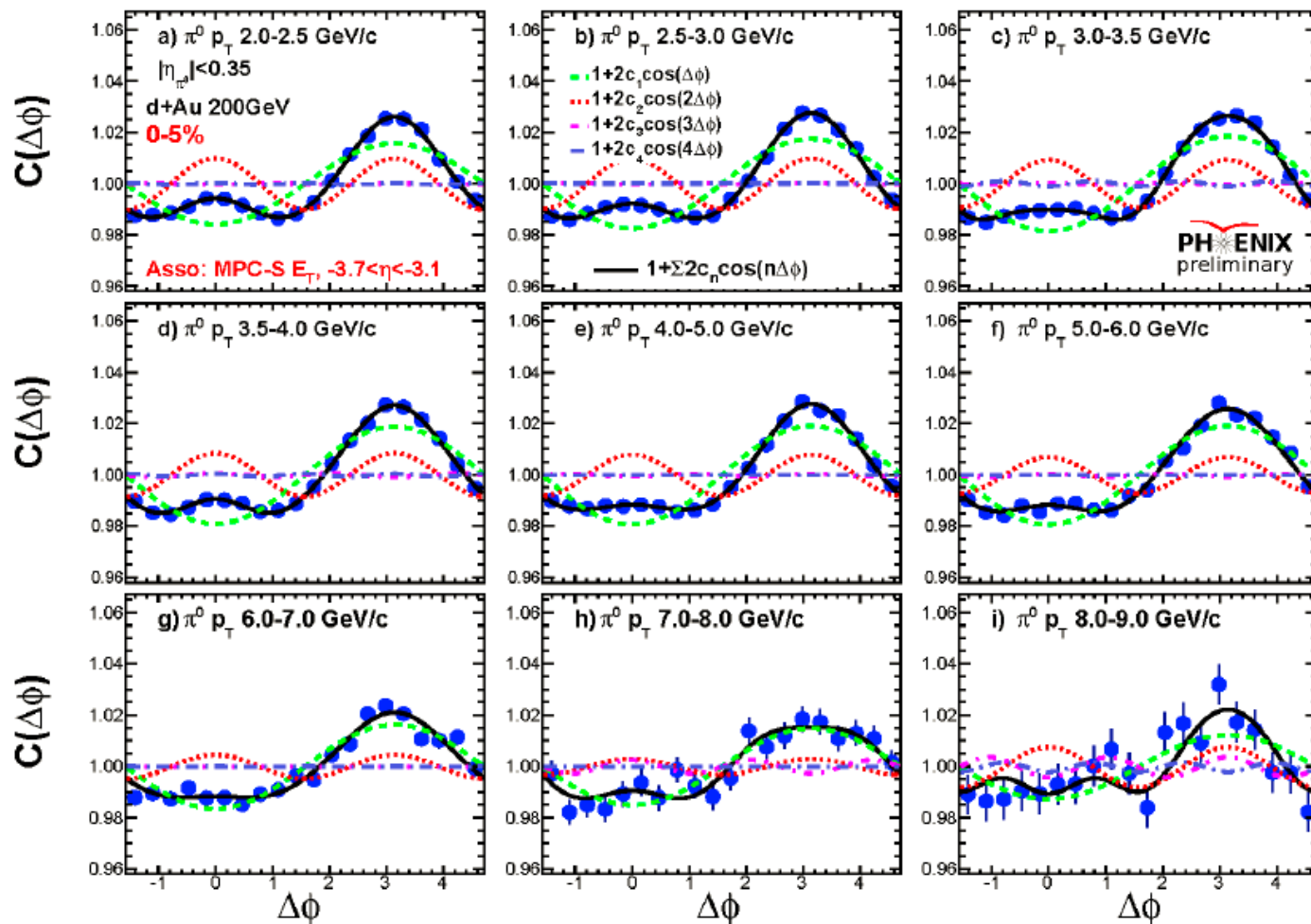
Significant  $v_2$  to high  $p_T$  is also surprising



ATLAS sees 5%  $v_2$  at  $p_T \sim 10$  What can we see at RHIC in d+Au collisions?

# Near-side ridge in d+Au

How high in  $p_T$  is  
there a peak  
contribution at  
 $\Delta\phi = 0$ ...

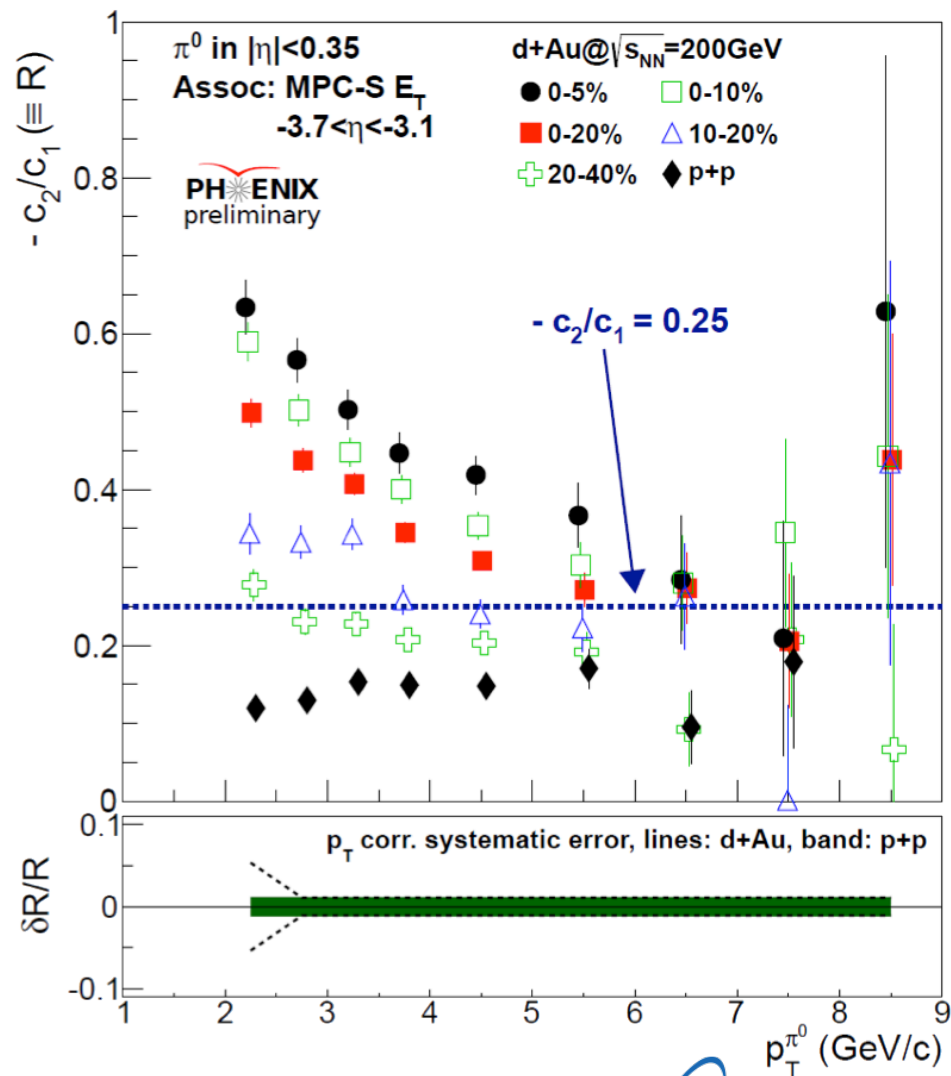


Correlations between neutral pions and  
particles 3 units in rapidity away.

# In d+Au, ridge persists to $p_T \sim 6 \text{ GeV}$

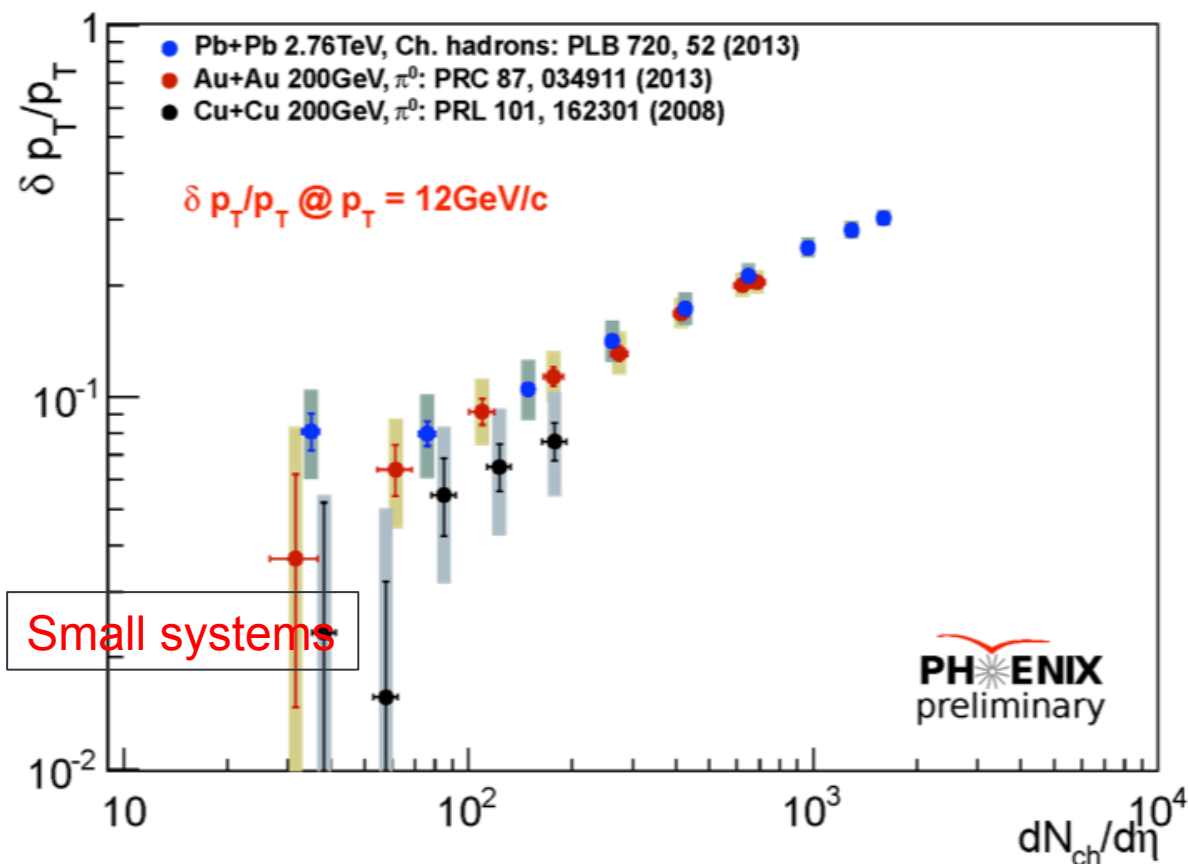
For correlation function described by *only*  $c_1$  and  $c_2$ , there is a local maximum at  $\Delta\phi = 0$  when  $-c_2/c_1 > 0.25$

No near-side ridge in p+p MB.

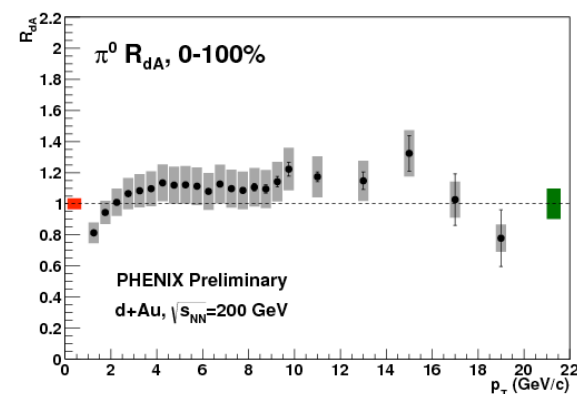


# Jet quenching in A+A

Fractional momentum loss vs.  $dN_{ch}/d\eta$



Do hard probes suffer  
Eloss in small  
systems? Likely not



Also,  $R_{dA} \sim 1$

So where does  
the 'flow' come  
from?



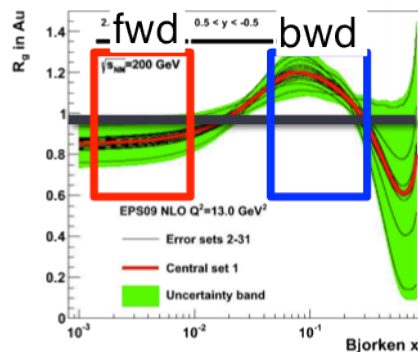
# Open Heavy Flavor

# Muons at Forward/Backward Rapidity

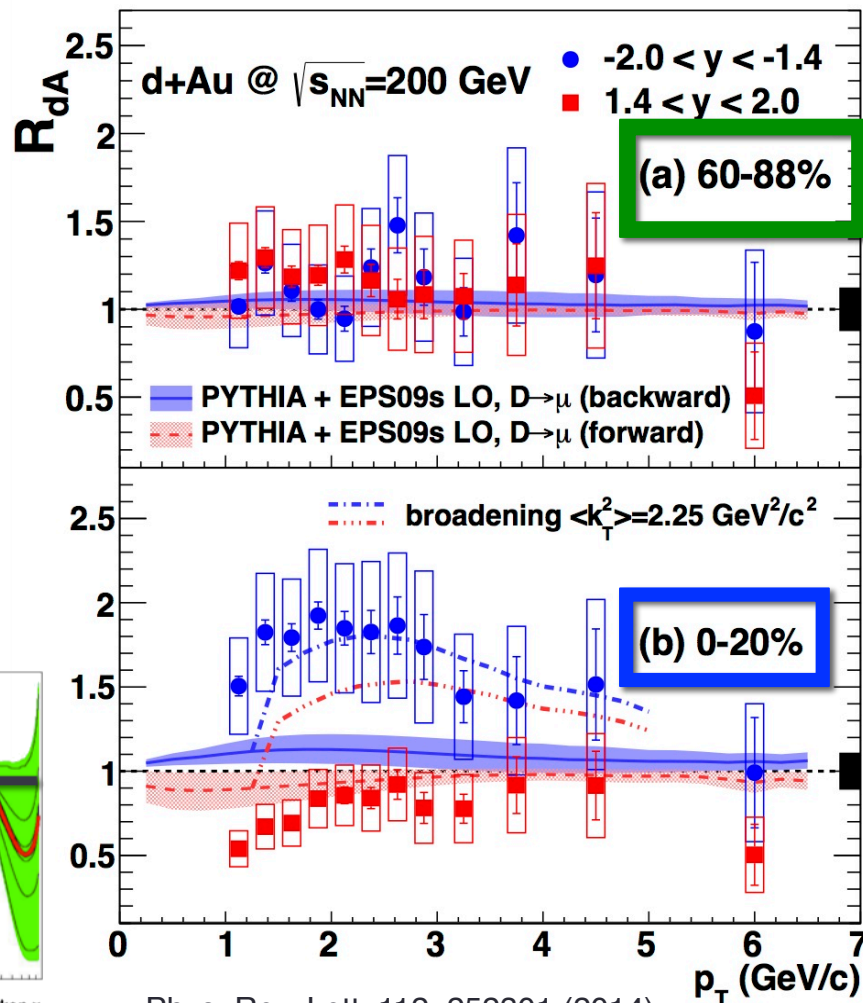
Peripheral:  
**Consistent** with  
scaled p+p results

Central:  
**Enhancement**  
at backward rapidity  
Anti-Shadowing Region

**Suppression**  
at forward rapidity  
Shadowing Region

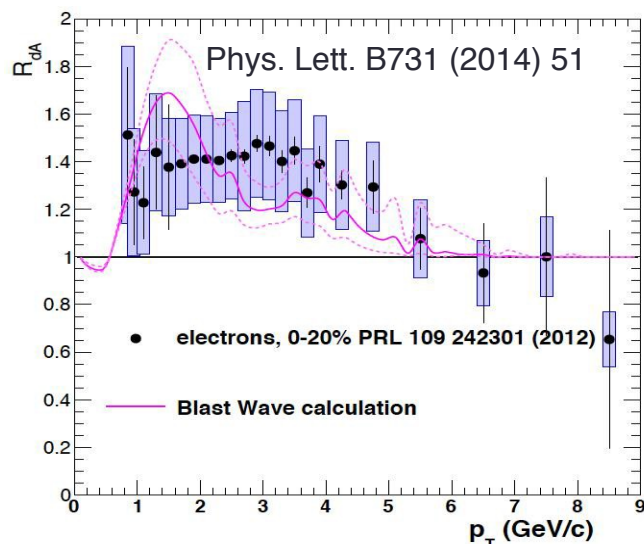


$R_g$  from EPS09



Phys. Rev. Lett. 112, 252301 (2014)

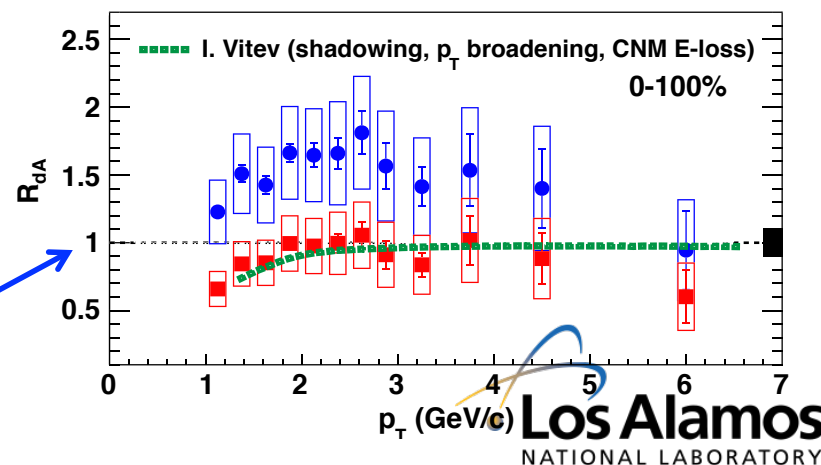
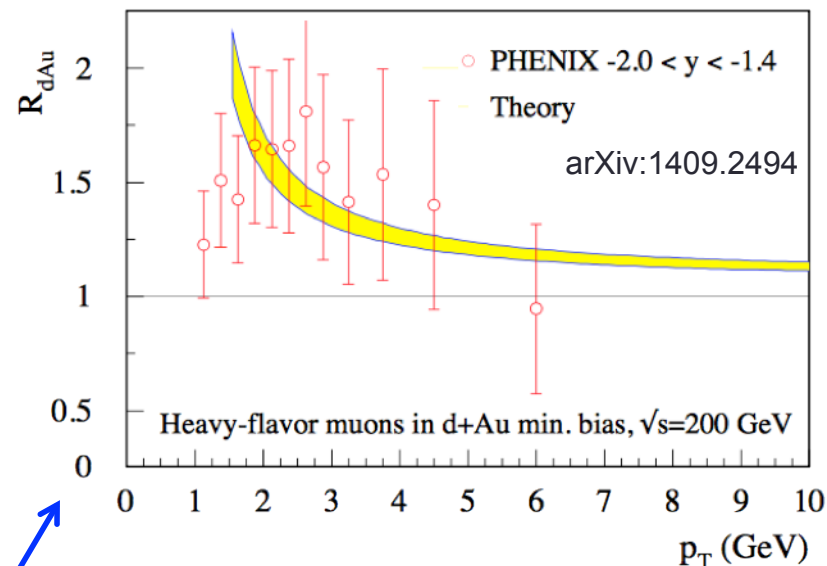
# Some calculations



Radial flow also qualitatively reproduce the enhancement

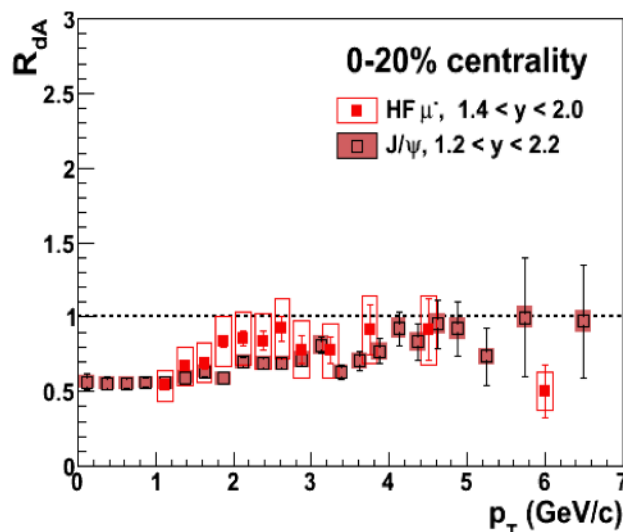
pQCD calculation considering incoherent scattering reproduces the enhancement at backward rapidity

As well as forward, with shadowing, CNM,  $p_T$  broadening

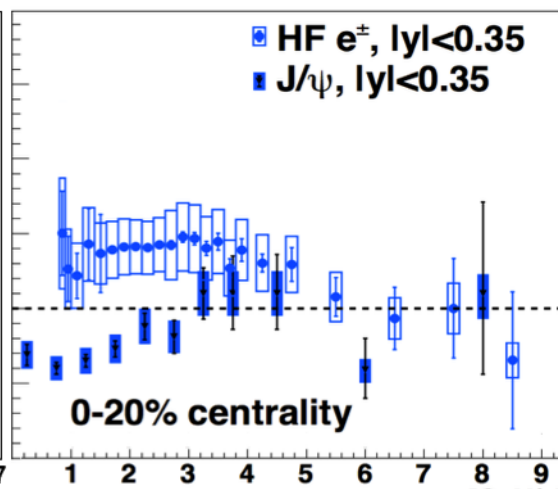


# Heavy Flavor Comparison with $J/\psi$

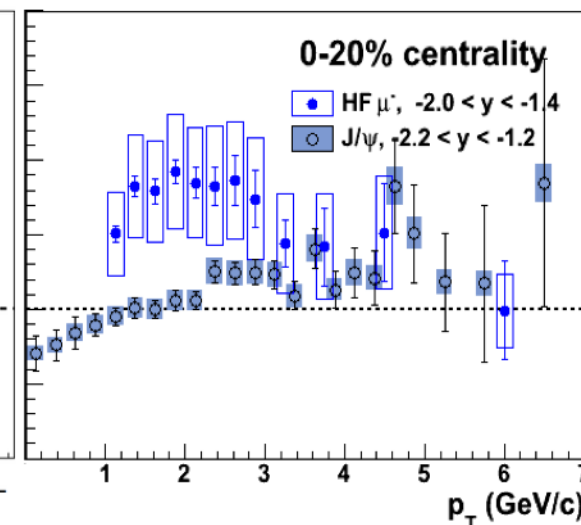
d-Going



Mid-Rapidity



Au-Going

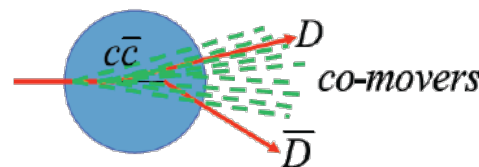


Similar suppression at forward rapidity

- Low co-mover density
- Same suppression mechanism

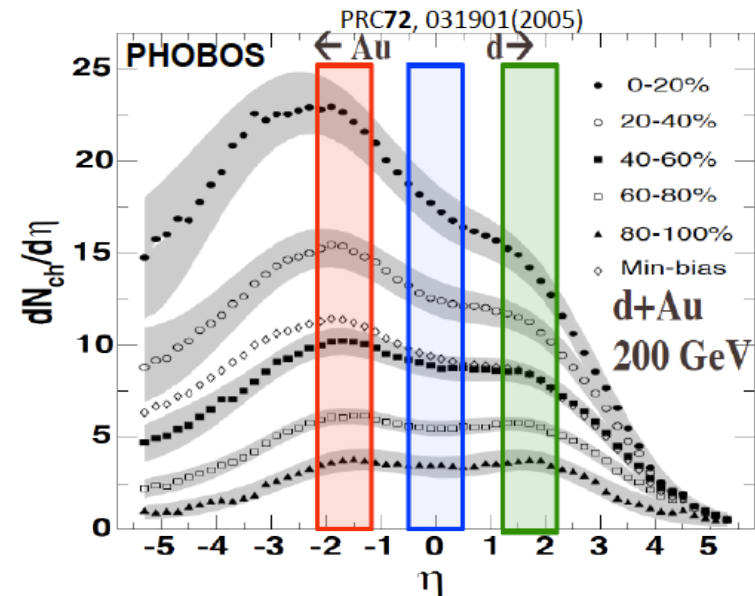
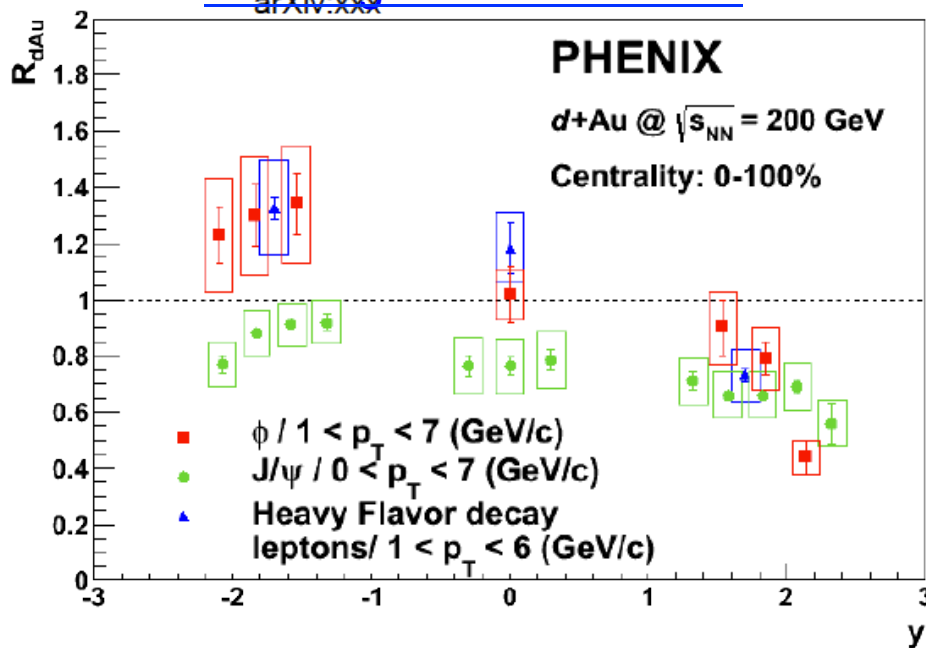
Different behavior at mid and backward rapidity

Different suppression mechanism  
Larger nuclear break-up effects at higher-density region



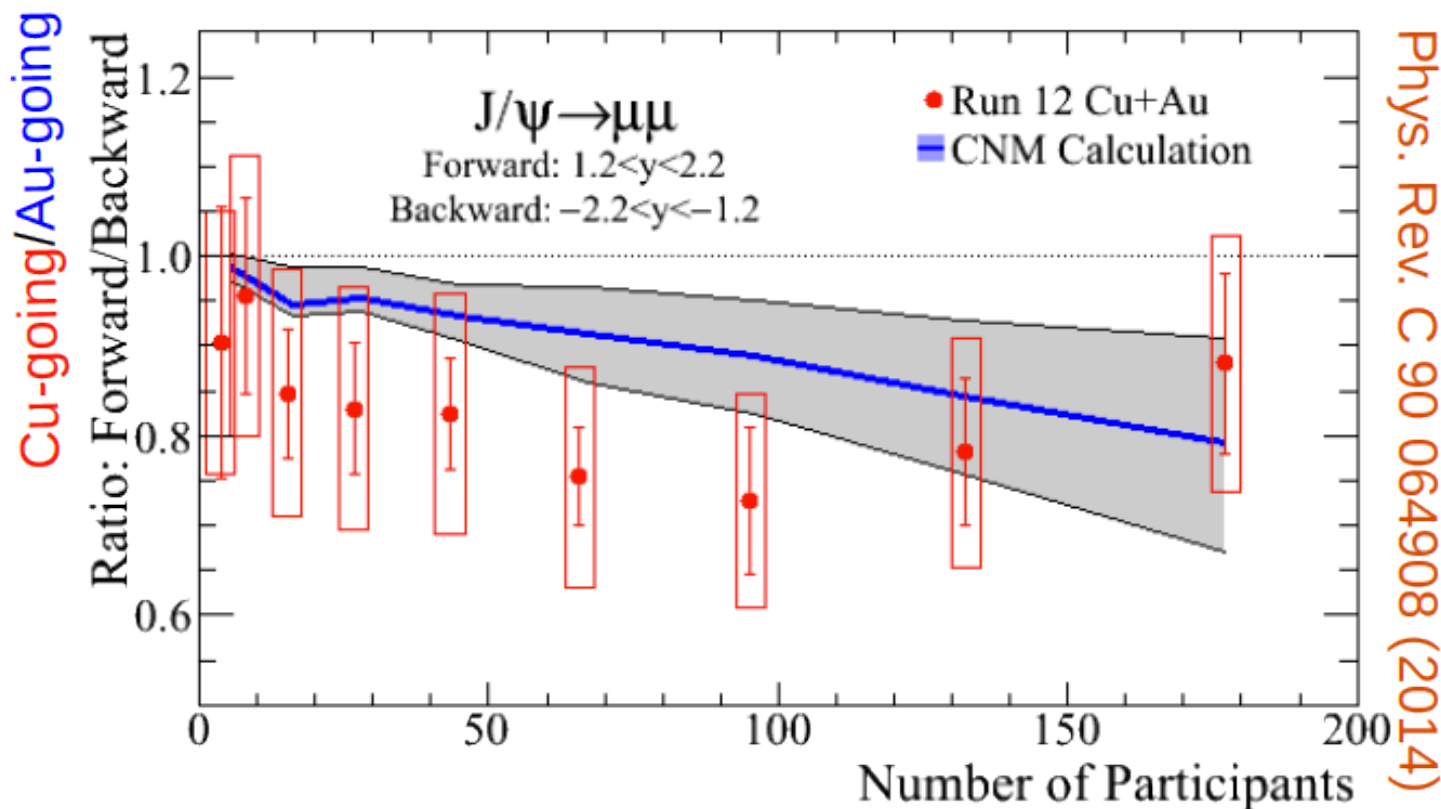
# Phi follows heavy flavor

[arxiv.org/abs/1506.08181](https://arxiv.org/abs/1506.08181)



Different processes act on open HF and phi. The match  
 May be a coincidence.

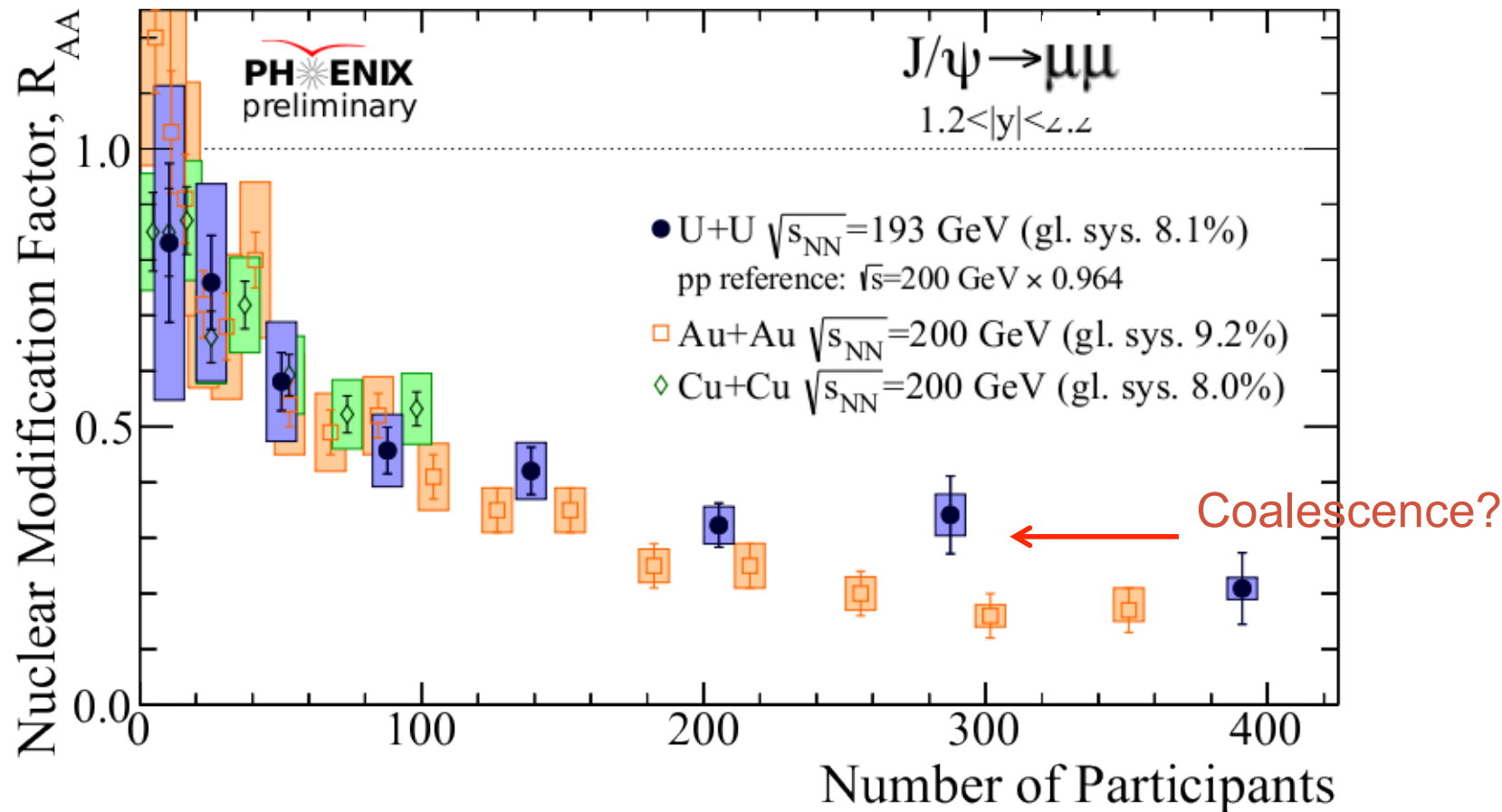
# Cold Nuclear Matter Effects



Calculation:  
 PRC 84 044911 (2011)  
 Nagle, Frawley, Levy, Wysocki  
 Only shadowing, EPS09

Hot NM effects ~same in Cu, Au  
 Cold nuclear matter effect?

# Other effects



# Wealth of data, many effects at work

- Many different systems:  $p+p \dots U+U$
- Energies 17GeV – 2.7 TeV
- All of them are needed to disentangle the many different effects of hot and cold nuclear matter



Thank you

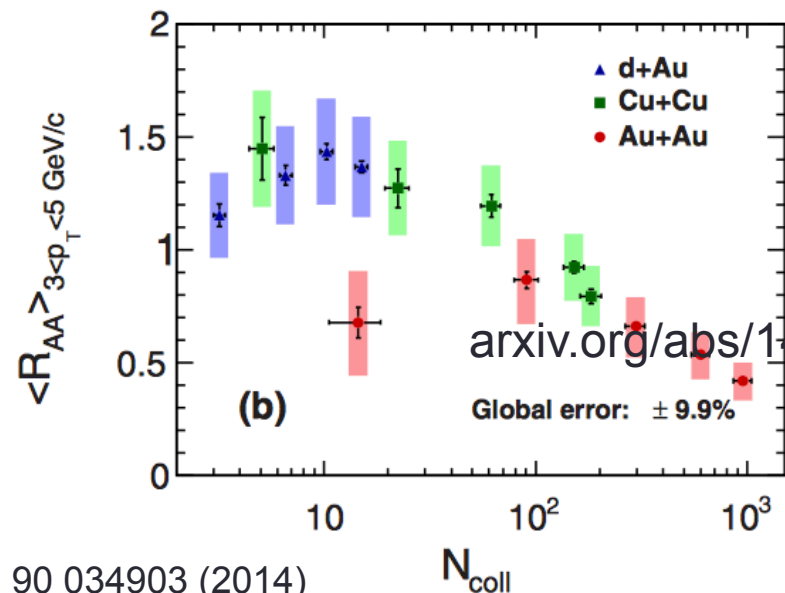
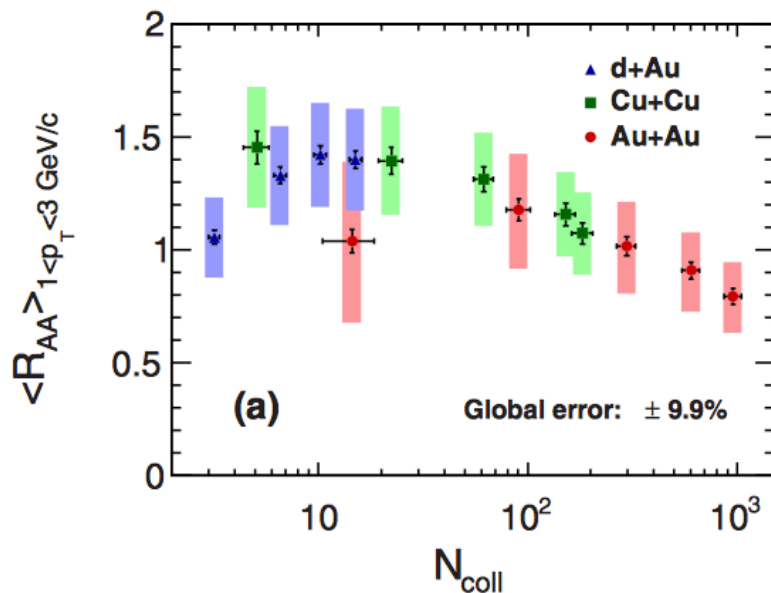
# Parallel talks

- ‘Hadron Correlations in  $^3\text{He}+\text{Au}$  and  $\text{d}+\text{Au}$  Collisions at PHENIX’  
Anne Sickles, Leacock 232: Monday 15:50
- ‘Cold nuclear matter effects on low mass vector mesons and heavy flavor production in  $\text{d}+\text{Au}$  collisions at  $\sqrt{s_{\text{NN}}} = 200 \text{ GeV}$ ’  
Murad Sarsour, Leacock 232: Monday 16:30
- ‘Measurement of single leptons from heavy flavor decays in the PHENIX experiment’  
Matt Snowball, Leacock 219: 10:50
- ‘System size dependence of  $\text{J}/\psi$  production at RHIC’  
Aneta Iordanova, Leacock 219: Tuesday 11:30
- ‘High  $p_{\text{T}}$  single identified particles in various systems, various collision energies, and several scaling variables’  
Klaus Dehmelt, Leacock 26: Wednesday 09:00
- ‘Direct photon production and azimuthal anisotropy measured in PHENIX’  
Stefan Bathe, Leacock 232: Wednesday 10:50

# Back up



# Evolution of HF e production



PRC 90 034903 (2014)

arxiv.org/abs/1404.224

- The nuclear modification factors for HF electrons at mid-rapidity in d+Au, Cu+Cu, and Au+Au
- Nice trend from smaller systems, d+Au and peripheral Cu+Cu, *where enhancement effects are dominating* to central Cu+Cu and Au+Au collisions, *where suppression effects take over*

